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For: COMBINATION AND KEY OPERATED PADLOCK WITH INDICATOR

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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION TO CORRECT ERRORS OF APPLICANT

Dear Sir:

Attached in duplicate is Form PTO-1050 whereon are listed several errors of Applicant that should be corrected to improve the readability of the patent.

The removal of a fourteen word phrase from the first claim -- a phrase that was inadvertently presented twice and is quite obviously in error -- was introduced when a good faith effort was made to rewrite a claim that had been allowed, and was not caught by the attorney of record or by the Examiner until the issued patent was being proofread. Neither the applicant, nor applicant's counsel, nor the Examiner intended for the 14-word phrase to appear twice in this claim.

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The other errors for which correction is requested are of a minor, typographical nature, were made when a good faith effort was underway to prepare the original application, and were not caught by the inventors, by the attorney of record or by the Examiner during several reviews of the content of the original application. Only when the newly issued patent was being proofread were the errors noted.

Correction of these errors does not constitute new matter, nor does it require reexamination. The mistakes were made in good faith and should be corrected.

A fee payment of \$100 accompanies this Request. If a different fee should have been paid to implement this Request, please charge the balance of the needed fee payment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4700 maintained by the firm David A. Burge Co., L.P.A.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent are hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 2,

Line 3, delete "padlocks" and substitute -- padlock --Line 43, after "surface" insert -- of --

Line 64, after "after" insert -- the --

Column 5,

Line 33, delete "as the" and substitute -- as to --

Line 37, after "202" insert -- , 204, 206 --

Column 6,

Line 23, delete "134" and substitute -- 132 --

Column 10,

Line 24, delete "170" and substitute -- 270 --

Line 27, delete "120" and substitute -- 270 -- Line 41, delete "310" and substitute -- 301 --

Claim 1,

Delete second occurrence of phrase "having an indicator for indicating whether the padlock has been opened by said key,"

Claim 18,

After "aligning" insert -- a --